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DATE 11/05/73

WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

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MESSAGE ANNOTATIONS:

HAK, SCOWCROFT, LL, SAUNDERS

SYRIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN SUGGESTS THAT HIS GOVERNMENT REJECT
SUBSTANCE OF NOTE DELIVERED NOV. 4 BY STATE DEPT.

MESSAGE:

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FM DIRECTOR, FBI

TO WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM
ATT.: DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
SECRETARY OF STATE
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ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, OCTOBER, 1973; INTERNAL SECURITY-
MIDDLE EAST.

AT 5:00PM, ON SUNDAY, 11-4-73, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE,
WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MOHAMED ZAKARIA
ISMAIL COMMENTED TO STAFF MEMBERS OF THE SYRIAN DELEGATION TO
THE UNITED NATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE SUGGESTION TRANSMITTED
THAT AFTERNOON BY THE US STATE DEPARTMENT, AS FOLLOWS:

ISMAIL ADVISED HIS ASSOCIATE, DIA EL-FATTAL, THAT IT WAS
ISMAIL'S OPINION THAT SYRIA SHOULD REJECT THE SUGGESTION FOR HE
FELT THAT "THEY ARE READY TO PAY MORE."

ISMAIL INSTRUCTED SECOND SECRETARY ELIAS ARIS OF THE
SYRIAN DELEGATION TO CABLE THE SUGGESTION, IN PLAIN TEXT, TO THE
SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER IN DAMASCUS. HE FURTHER INSTRUCTED THAT
A SECOND ENCODED CABLE SHOULD BE SENT TO DAMASCUS, REFERRING TO
THE SUGGESTION. THIS SECOND CABLE WOULD ADVISE DAMASCUS THAT
THE US STATE DEPARTMENT RELATED TO ISMAIL THE ISRAELI
SUGGESTION, AS SET FORTH IN PLAIN TEXT, AND "WHICH APPEARS FOR
CERTAIN TO HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE US STATE DEPARTMENT
BEFORE IT RECEIVED OUR REPLY TO THE THREE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED
BY KISSINGER."

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